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SUBJECT: WFP DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND RELATED MATTERS

REF: (A) STATE 082300; (B) MAYNES-STIBRAVY TELECON,
MARCH 31; (C) ROME 5766

1. PURSUANT TO REF TELECON WE INFORMED RAFEE AHMED (EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO SYG) ON APRIL 3 THAT ASSISTANT SECRETARY MAYNES DESIRED OPPORTUNITY REVIEW WITH SYG SPECTRUM OF DEVELOPMENTS IN THE AREA OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ACTIVITIES OF THE UN SYSTEM OF WHICH BRITO APPOINTMENT THE MOST RECENT MANIFESTATION. AHMED HAS SCHEDULED MEETINGS WITH WALDHEIM FOR AFTERNOON OF FRIDAY, APRIL 21.

2. IN RESPONSE TO QUERY WHETHER BRITO APPOINTMENT PAPERS HAD ALREADY BEEN RETURNED TO ROME, AHMED SAID THEY HAD BEEN DISPATCHED IMMEDIATELY AFTER WALDHEIM HAD SIGNED OFF ON THEM.

3. WHEN WE REMARKED IN PASSING DURING ENSUING CONVERSATION
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TION WITH AHMED THAT BRITO REPORTEDLY HAD STRONG SUPPORT NOT ONLY OF FAO DG BUT ALSO OF SYG, AHMED VIGOROUSLY DENIED THAT SYG HAD ANY SPECIAL INTEREST IN THE APPOINTMENT OF BRITO AS WFP DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND ASSERTED THAT, SO FAR AS NY WAS CONCERNED IT WAS A "ROUTINE" APPOINTMENT ACCEPTED IN THE FACE OF STRONG RECOMMENDATIONS FROM ROME.
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